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**United States Patent Application No. 10/705,904**  
**Applicants: David Brown et al**  
**Filed: November 13, 2003**

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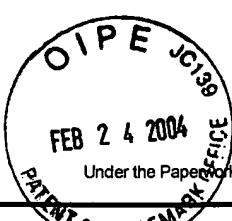
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